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Group Art Unit: 3625

In re the Application of: SAITO, et al.

Serial No.: 09/199,566

Examiner: N. ROSEN

Filed: November 25, 1998

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 3839

For: PASSPORT TRANSACTION APPARATUS, PASSPORT TRANSACTION
METHOD AND PASSPORT TRANSACTION SYSTEM

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 24, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2002, extended to March 4, 2003 by
a one-month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as
follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claims 1 - 3, 14, 26, 27, 28 and 33 to read as follows:

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1. (Four Times Amended) A passport transaction apparatus connected to a
residents database storing therein identification data of the residents and also connected to a center
which executes an examination for issuance of passports through a communication line, said
apparatus comprising:

a communication unit for communicating with said center;

an image input unit for inputting an image of an applicant for a passport;

a display unit for displaying a guidance for the procedure for the passport transaction;

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